

WHEN THIS COUNTRY WAS FIRST DISCOVERED IT WAS A HOWLING WILDERNESS. YOU STILL HEAR PLENTY OF HOWLING TODAY.—Arnold H. Glasgow.

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IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Donald Fraser went to Togus on Tuesday.

Miss Caroline Mingo of Bath spent the week end with Mrs. Barbara Lucas.

Mrs. Silver of Portland was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Grenier last week.

Mrs. Katharine Adams is spending her weeks vacation in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Woodcock of Providence, R. I., were week end guests of Mrs. Flora Anderson.

Mrs. John Forbes entertained at a social gathering Monday evening for the benefit of the Cancer drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Hall of Lewiston were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hall.

Miss Kay Wilson of Mount Ida College, Newton, Mass., spent the week end at the home of her parents.

Myron Bryant, Frank Lowell and Ernest Blake are spending the week fishing on the Miramichi River.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Berry and daughter of Pittsfield, N. H., spent the week end with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Stephen Sclaraffa of Bridgeport, Conn., is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Gulland.

Mrs. Arthur Gibbs and children of Rumford were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Gibbs last week.

Dwight and Duane Williamson of Upton were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fraser the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Turner of Attleboro, Mass., were overnight guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Gibbs last Thursday.

Barry York and Donald Sweeney, students at Boston University, were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert York.

Mrs. Flora Anderson and Mrs. Evans Wilson are spending the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wendall Gibbs in Peabody, Mass.

On Friday, April 16, Richard Bryant and David York were hosts at a birthday family dinner party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bryant.

Kolth Wilson returned Monday to Parks Air Base, Oakland, Calif., after spending a month at the home of his parents. He expects to go to Alaska soon.

The Misses Sally Brown, Phyllis Smith and Christine Willard of Gorham State Teachers' College were at their homes over the week end.

Miss Isabel Bennett of Middletown, N. Y., is spending a week's vacation with her mother, Mrs. Frances Bennett. Miss Alice Bennett was at home from Nashua, N. H., during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert LeClair and daughter Judith of New Britain, Conn., arrived Friday for the week end. Mrs. LeClair and Judy will spend two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray York.

Robert Herzog ACC with Mrs. Herzog and family will arrive Friday from Argentina, Newfoundland, where they have been the past twenty months, to spend some time with Mrs. Herzog's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Donahue.

Mrs. Marie Nichols was hostess to a card party on Monday evening. Those present were Miss Genevieve Mitchell, Mrs. Walter Tikander, Mrs. Charles Gorman, Mrs. Eugene Van Den Kerckhove, Mrs. Lloyd Lusk, Mrs. Charles Merrill, Mrs. Elmer Bennett, Mrs. Myron Bryant. High score and traveling prize were won by Mrs. Lloyd Lusk; booby prize, Mrs. Walter Tikander.

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COMMENTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE

Miss Cormier of the State Welfare Dept. made her regular visit to Bethel, Tuesday, April 20.

Mr. Tardiff of the Veterans Affairs office was also a recent caller at the Town Office.

We expect to call a Special Town Meeting some time during the week of May 3rd. There are a few things that need the vote of the people of Bethel. One of them has to do with the erection of a plaque on the Common. As many of you may know in 1945 "The Eastern Seaboard Apprenticeship Council" held its first meeting in Bethel with about seventy-five people in attendance. This has since grown to an attendance of between five and six hundred people and has national interest. One of the groups very much interested in the apprenticeship system is the Structural Clay Products Institute in Washington, D. C. Douglas Whitlock, attorney for this company, writes that they would like to erect a Memorial on the Town Common with a suitable plaque commemorating the first conference and E. K. Jenkins, an Assistant Director of the Bureau of Apprenticeship. This I understand is to be of no expense to the Town of Bethel, and it should be a real addition to the Common. Plans of this Memorial may be examined at the Manager's Office.

O. T. Rozelle

Paul Salway was home from Togus over the week end.

Roland Glines came home from the C. M. G. Hospital last Friday. Fred Clark is visiting his son, Albert, at Melrose, Mass.

Mrs. Arthur Ramsdell is ill at her home on High Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Saunders are spending a few days in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Royden Keddy of Portland were week end guests of Simoon Keddy.

Mrs. Willard Boynton and children are spending their week's vacation in Boston.

Among those ill with measles are: Barbara Lee Douglas, Peter York, and Elaine Gorman.

Mrs. Andrew Cole and children of Roslindale, Mass., is spending this week with her father, J. B. Chapman.

Mrs. Laura Giles of Farmington spent a few days the first of the week with her mother, Mrs. Violet Bennett.

The meeting of the Extension Service Evening Group will be held Tuesday evening, April 27, at the Home Ec Cottage.

Richmond Davis, who is working at Westport, Conn., spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moses Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kuzik and son Peter of Belmont, Mass., spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Vachon.

Miss Martha Brown is spending the week with her sister, Miss Sally Brown, at the Gorham State Teachers' College.

Martha, Rebecca and Rachel Keniston were overnight guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Keniston on Monday.

Mrs. Richard Emmons and children of Scotia, N. Y., are this week's guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Browne.

Miss Beverly Corbett of South Paris has been spending a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bane, and family.

All persons who were previously solicited for the food table of the WSCS sale are asked to bring articles as planned for the sale on May 1.

Pvt. Geraldine J. Calvin has just completed basic training at the Women's Army Corps Center, Fort Lee, Va., and has been transferred to Fort Knox, Ky., to attend the Army Clerical School for further training as a clerk-typist.

Miss Janice Lord and Miss Laura Wilson were among the University of Maine students participating in the programs presented by the Madrigals and Varsity Singers at Togus Tuesday afternoon and Augusta Tuesday evening.

Have you something you are tired of but that someone else could use? Then bring it to the Ladies Club rummage sale at Garland Chapel some time before Saturday afternoon or notify any of the ladies and someone will pick it up.

Surviving are seven sons, Lloyd E. Herman H. Kenneth W. Hanover; A. Lincoln, Bethel; Harold W. Odessa, Tex.; Sgt. 1st Coy S. Goddard's Island, N. Y.; Seaman 1st Earl C. Norfolk, Va.; five daughters, Mrs. Carroll Bean, Hanover; Mrs. Roger Brown, Mrs. Phyllis DeRoche, Mrs. Raymond Williams, Mrs. Harold Fuller, Bethel; her step-mother, Mrs. Roxie Downs, Oxford; one sister, Miss Annie Downs, Saco; a half-sister, Mrs. Alphonse Baker, Bethel, and several grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at the Greenleaf funeral home, Friday, at 2 p. m. Rev. Charles Pendleton officiating. Interment will be in the Hanover cemetery.

Erland Noyes underwent a tonsillectomy at the Rumford hospital Saturday.



E. LEROY BROWN

Funeral services for E. Leroy Brown were held at the Greenleaf funeral home Saturday afternoon.

Interment will be in Riverside Cemetery.

Mr. Brown's death occurred at his home on Main Street, Bethel, on Thursday, April 15, after a week's illness.

Those from out of town attending the services were: Mr. and Mrs. William Brown and Gordon, of Eslington; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brown, of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Brown Jr., of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Warren Richardson, of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Lauri Richardson, of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Richardson, of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Richardson, of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Klesman and Francis Smith, all of Fryeburg; Herman and Stanley Carroll, South Paris; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miner, Island Pond, Vt.; Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Jones, Gorham, N. H.; Mrs. Andrew Cole, of Roslindale, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Norton, Dixfield.

MRS. ETHEL E. CROSS

Mrs. Ethel E. Cross died Sunday afternoon at the Rumford Community Hospital where she was taken nearly four weeks ago by ambulance. She fell at her home on Howe Hill and fractured her hip March 16th.

She was born in Waterbury, Maine, June 7, 1879, the daughter of Charles and Edith (Swan) Farr. She received her education in the Portland schools. Later they moved to Howe Hill where she married William C. Cross in 1902 and spent the rest of her life there on the farm. He died July 14, 1933, since that time her son, Everett, has operated the farm.

Survivors are four children, Mrs. Lillian Lapham, Everett and Rodney Cross of Locke Mills and Mrs. Edith Rice of Bethel; fifteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services were held Wednesday at 2 o'clock, at Locke Mills church. Rev. Charles Pendleton officiated. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery.

GEORGE L. GLOVER

George Livingston Glover, formerly of Andover, died at his home in Richmond Wednesday.

He was the son of Lucius and Isabel Farrar Glover, born at Rumford, July 26, 1880. A retired farmer he came to Richmond five years ago from Massachusetts. He was a member of Enterprise Grange, Richmond; the Foresters, Lisbon Falls; K of P, Andover; Masonic Lodge, Scotland Rite, Canton.

Surviving are his widow, Minnie Walker Glover, Rumford; three sons, Roger, Santa Barbara, Calif.; Clyde, New London, Conn.; and Clarence, Camden; two daughters, Mrs. Charles Spillett, Salford, Mass.; and Mrs. Ernest Cram, Dearborn, Mich.; two brothers, Jeff, Norway, and Elmer, Agawam, Mass.; and two sisters, Mrs. Oda Goldard, Rumford Point and Mrs. Elta Perkins, Andover.

Funeral services will be held at the Andover Church at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

MRS. LULA M. MERRILL

Mrs. Lula M. Merrill died Wednesday morning at Rumford Community hospital, where she had been a patient several days. She had been ill health several years.

She was a resident of Bethel many years and had lived at Hanover the past 14 years.

Surviving are seven sons, Lloyd E. Herman H. Kenneth W. Hanover; A. Lincoln, Bethel; Harold W. Odessa, Tex.; Sgt. 1st Coy S. Goddard's Island, N. Y.; Seaman 1st Earl C. Norfolk, Va.; five daughters, Mrs. Carroll Bean, Hanover; Mrs. Roger Brown, Mrs. Phyllis DeRoche, Mrs. Raymond Williams, Mrs. Harold Fuller, Bethel; her step-mother, Mrs. Roxie Downs, Oxford; one sister, Miss Annie Downs, Saco; a half-sister, Mrs. Alphonse Baker, Bethel, and several grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

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DST Begins Next Sunday

Daylight Saving Time again goes into effect on Sunday, April 25. Confusion will be avoided by setting all clocks and watches ahead one hour late Saturday night.

GOULD'S YOUNG THESPIANS READY FOR ANNUAL SENIOR PLAY

Tomorrow evening, Friday, April 23, marks a milestone for fifteen Gould seniors when they present to an audience of students, parents, and interested Bethel citizens the annual Senior play; a varied musical program for two-act interludes has been prepared by Walter Marcuse, director of music.

The play itself, "Mother Is A Freshman," has been selected by David Thompson, the director, for its fresh appeal both to teen agers and to adults. With just enough seriousness to carry the plot, it tells the story of an attractive widow who finds it expedient to enter college in order that the scholarship provided for all descendants of her name may assist in keeping her own daughter in the same institution. Of course, a handsome biology professor complicates matters for both of them, but as in all good comedies, everything is untangled in the final moments before the third act curtain.

The cast has been selected almost equally from town and dormitory students. Several seniors will be making their first appearance on the time-honored gymnasium stage. An evening of fast-moving and wholesome entertainment is promised the Bethel public when the curtain rises at 8 sharp.

Because of a change of policy in the student activity fund distribution, there will be no reserved seats, but a general admission fee will admit to any part of the auditorium on a first-come, first-served basis.

MISS BROOKS HONORED AT BRIDAL SHOWER TUESDAY

Miss Gail Brooks was guest of honor at a bridal shower Friday night, given by friends and relatives at the Community Rooms. A wedding cake was made and presented by Mrs. Edward Wheeler. Refreshments were served by Wendy Lee Wheeler, Louann Brown, Michael Chretien and Jacky Brooks.

Those attending were Mrs. Harold Bartlett, Mrs. Irving Brown, Mrs. Leola Moore, Mrs. Laura Pihlak, Mrs. Gail Brooks, Mrs. Robert Hanson, Mrs. Robert Baker, Mrs. Raymond Tripp, Mrs. Merle Wheeler, Mrs. John Merse, Mrs. Maxine Brown, Mrs. Edward Wheeler, Mrs. Millard Clough, Mrs. Rita Stimans, Mrs. Maurice Brooks, Mrs. Rodney Brooks, Miss Bettyann Eutner, Miss Janet Korhonen, Mrs. Kenneth Brooks, Mrs. Donald Chretien, Louann Brown, Wendy Wheeler, Jacky Brooks, Michael Chretien, and the honor guest, Miss Gail Brooks.

Those sending gifts but unable to attend were Mrs. Arnel Brown, Mrs. Rose Strickland, Miss Molly Stanley, Mrs. Stanley Davis, Mrs. Mary Greig, Mrs. Grace Philbrook, Mrs. Leola Davis, Mrs. Norman Dock, Mrs. Lucius McAllister, Mrs. Willis Ward, Miss Pauline King, Mrs. Rufus Rice, Mrs. Richard Stevens, Mrs. Charles Gorman, Mrs. Norman Hall and Ruth, Mrs. Clayton Mills, Mrs. Marie Mills, Mrs. Naomi Varner, Mrs. Helen Varner, Mrs. Sarah Morgan, Mrs. Marilyn Herbert and Rhonda, Mrs. Edwin Swain and Miss Henrietta Swain.

MRS. ELLA F. RUSSELL

Mrs. Ella Farwell Russell of Hanover died last Thursday at Rumford Community Hospital, where she had been a patient for the past four and a half weeks.

She was born in Bethel, Dec. 1, 1890, daughter of Porter and Mary Holt Farwell. Her husband, the late Harward Russell, passed away in 1945.

She was a member of Mishicoues Temple, P. E. Hancock, and a member of the Ladies Aid Society of the Congregational Church, Rumford Point.

She is survived by a son, Cedric Hancock; a brother, O. B. Farwell, East Bethel, three grandchildren, several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at the Greenleaf funeral home, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Charles Pendleton officiated. Burial was in Hanover cemetery.

Roland Abbott of Malden, Mass., was a recent visitor at E. O. Donahue's. Mr. Abbott left this week for Anchorage, Alaska, where he will make his home. Mr. Abbott was a Game Warden here a few years ago.

The Contract Club held its final meeting of the season with a supper party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Freeland Clark Monday evening. Those present were Mrs. Lawrence Lord, Mrs. Kimball Ames, Mrs. William Chapman, Mrs. Herbert Rowe, Mrs. Clayton Fossell, Mrs. Wilbur Myers, Mrs. Richard Davis, Mrs. Earl Davis and Mrs. Freeland Clark.

RED CROSS OVER THE TOP

Bethel's quota for the annual Red Cross drive was \$350. The committee reports \$1,001.04 was the amount collected. They wish to thank all contributors who made the drive such a success.

LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS PLAN FOR BAZAAR

The planning meeting for the 1954 bazaar was held Friday evening at the American Legion home. Plans were announced as follows by representatives of organizations: Legion, table of games; Auxiliary, fancy work; W. S. C. S., home made candy; O. E. S., local arts and crafts; Bethel Players, coke machine; P. T. A., help on supper; Alder River Grange, hot dogs. The next planning meeting will be on May 22.

EASTER SEAL DRIVE FALLS BELOW LAST YEAR'S TOTAL

The Easter Seal for crippled children of Maine official closed Sunday, April 18, and the chairman wishes to sincerely thank all those who contributed so generously. To date \$212 has been received. This amount is \$44 short of last year's returns, but it is hoped that we may still reach our goal. Anyone still wishing to contribute to this very worthy cause may contact Mrs. George Taylor.

THIRTEEN CLUB

Mrs. Addison Saunders entertained members of the Thirteen Club at a card party at her home Friday evening. Those playing were Mrs. Howard Cole, Mrs. Richard Young, Mrs. Murray Thurston, Mrs. Joseph Perry, Mrs. Herbert Rowe, Mrs. Henry Hastings, Mrs. Francis Noyes, Mrs. Richard Waldron, Mrs. Dana Brooks, Mrs. Norman Greig, and Mrs. Dale Thurston. Prize winners were: high, Mrs. Richard Young; low, Mrs. Joseph Perry; traveling, Mrs. Joseph Perry.

HEARING ON POTATO MARKETING AGREEMENT SLATED TUESDAY

Maine's only hearing on the proposed Federal Marketing Agreement for potatoes is scheduled to be held at the Northeastland Hotel, Presque Isle. It starts at 9:30 a. m. on Tuesday, April 27 and continues on April 28 and 29. Preliminary meetings were held April 19 and 20 in Corinna and Dover-Foxcroft. Growers are urged to attend the hearing to express their views, and to be sure the agreement's provisions will treat all fairly.

LOCAL CHILDREN WIN "JACK & JILL" TITLE AT B. U. BABY SHOW

Children of students and faculty at Boston University's School of Theology competed for the title of nursery rhyme characters at the 12th annual Edith Buell Club Spring Baby Show, held at the school Wednesday, April 7. Among the title winners were the children of a local resident, Ruth and Scott Carter, children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carter of Bethel. Their father is a senior at the school of theology. The children were named "Jack and Jill" at the Baby Show.

A title was awarded to each of the 36 entrants, ranging in age from seven weeks to five years. Judging the parade of "Little Bo-Peeps" and "Little Boys Blue" were Dr. Elmer Lealio, professor of Hebrew and Old Testament Literature, and Dr. John H. Lavelle, associate professor of philosophy of the school faculty. "Mother Goose," Mrs. Mary Anne Seamans whose husband, Ted, is a second year student, registered the contestants. The show is sponsored annually by the Edith Buell Club whose members are women students and wives of the University's theological students.

LADIES CLUB RUMMAGE SALE and GUILD FOOD SALE Sat., April 24—2:30 p. m. Garland Chapel

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GOULD SENIOR PLAY "Mother is a Freshman" A Three-Act Comedy Friday Evening at 8:00 APRIL 23 WM. BINGHAM GYM Admissions Adults 65c; Students 45c

Only a Week More for Car Inspection

"There is only a week left in which to get that automobile inspection sticker," our State Police reminds Maine motorists.

Pointing out that the semi-annual inspection is legal requirement in Maine, they urged each motorist to make certain that the first of May does not find him without that important sticker which signifies that his car has been checked at an official inspection station.

"Putting off this obligation until the last minute often means that one must wait his turn in a long line of drivers," they continued. "Save yourself this inconvenience by having the inspection taken care of right away."

COUPLES' CLUB

The Couples' Club of the Methodist Church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keniston Saturday evening. Following a potluck supper, a lecture of The Life of Christ on a tape recorder was presented by Rev. Robert Carter. Games, led by Mrs. John Brown, were enjoyed, and a decorated cake was presented Mr. and Mrs. Avery Angvine in observance of their sixteenth wedding anniversary. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Keniston, Mr. and Mrs. Avery Angvine, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Keniston, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Lusk, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dock, Rev. and Mrs. Robert Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Brown, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown.

MAINE TO OBSERVE NATIONAL HOME DEMONSTRATION WEEK, MAY 2 TO 8

Thousands of Maine homemakers are expected to play an active part in the observance of National Home Demonstration Week, May 2 to 8. A state meeting of chairmen and food leaders of the Women's Divisions of the County Extension Associations will be held at the University of Maine. Local Extension groups will hold special meetings, stage exhibits of Extension work in public places, issue news releases, make radio and television appearances, and generally inform the public of the worthwhile programs carried on by Extension Associations in Maine.

BRIDGE PARTY Mrs. P. H. Chadbourne entertained at a bridge party at her home Friday evening for the benefit of the cancer drive. High score was won by Mrs. Richard Davis; second high Mrs. Lawrence Lord; low, Mrs. Myron Bryant. Others playing were Mrs. Kimball Ames, Mrs. Willard Boynton, Mrs. Wilbur Myers, Mrs. Clayton Fossell, Mrs. William Chapman, Mrs. Earl Davis, Mrs. Orville Anderson, Mrs. Vance Richardson, and Mrs. Chadbourne.

W. S. C. S. Annual Spring Sale SAT., MAY 1 Food — Fancy Work — Jewelry

DANCE Newry Corner Grange Hall—EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT Music by Lon White and His Old Times Fancy and Square Dances \$1 PRIZE

We will gladly help you with Your Flower Needs PLEASE CALL EARLY GRACE F. COBURN G. L. Kneeland, D. O. General Practice Eyes Examined—Glasses Fitted Hours: 10 a.m.—12 m.; 2-4, 6-8 p.m. Except Thursday Afternoons and Sundays Tel. 91

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Government Deceals In Business

A subcommittee of the House Committee on Government Operations has been making a study of "The Government in Business." The study has not been completed, but the subcommittee has made its first report. Information given in the report reflects the biggest of the federal government, and the vast expansion in recent years of its business and industrial operations.

The federal government owns and operates more than 100 business-type activities, most of them in competition with private enterprise, and it has inventories of materials estimated at from \$75-billion to \$100-billion, which is comparable to those of all private enterprises combined. Encouraging actions have been taken in Washington recently toward the growth of government in business and in time actually getting the government out of most of its competitive business and industrial activities. But only a small start has been made.

Most of the government's sprawling manufacturing and processing activities ought to be closed. Most of them are added to the tax burden of all citizens since they do not pay federal taxes and in some cases the products manufactured cost the government the taxpayers more than it could buy them for from private manufacturers.

"The military services," reports the subcommittee investigating government in business, "insist that it is essential to exist and grow and that the government must continue to expand its military activities. They insist that quality control can only be obtained by production in their own factories. On the other hand the Veterans Administration, which procures some five million pounds of coffee annually, argues that the coffee it buys on a competitive contract basis is a better product than that obtainable from the military factories."

Dangerous Trend
Another item reported: "The navy insists that the rope manufacturing operation at the Boston Naval Shipyard is economical and produces a superior product. However, the navy manufactures only a limited quantity of rope and buys the other two-thirds on the competitive market. The stocks are plentiful, showing that in reality the navy considers commercial rope to be equally acceptable. The committee is advised that commercial rope is better than commercial rope."

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GRASS ROOTS OPINION

Indianapolis, Ind., Times: "Whole sections of the United States are getting electric power for less than it costs to make it—with the government paying the difference."
New Egypt, N. J., Press: "The other day I read what J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, states in his creed of life. It is so good, honest, and so definitely what all Americans should follow that we give it here: believe in God and the inherent dignity of man. Trust in our democratic principles, and be confident that truth will overcome the menace of dictatorship which today seeks to destroy our freedom. Strive always to do your best. Make your life purposeful. If each of us in a spirit of self-dedication, will do his share, we can create a better world. That must be the spirit of 1954—the spirit of love, humility and justice."

Hartford, Conn., Tribune-Herald: "We're not trying to prove there isn't unemployment at the present time, or that it is not a serious problem, but it does seem that some groups—for obvious reasons—are overemphasizing the situation. These same groups often are the first to advocate more government spending as a means of curbing unemployment and assuring prosperity. The federal government cannot forever operate with a deficit, increase spending, and then cut taxes. It isn't in the cards."

As days become longer and temperatures rise, traffic will become heavier. We'll want to spend more time out-of-doors, as operators of automobiles, bicycles, tricycles, and also as pedestrians. How can we guard against the possibility of falling victim to accidents on the streets and highways? We'll be using this spring and summer? Our State Police tell us that obedience to the rules of the road is our best bet for staying alive... and for avoiding the terrible responsibility for the death of another.

type was cheaper."
A sizable percentage of the 2-3,000,000 civilian employees in the federal government work in factories and other government business establishments. If these workers were in private industry, with its free competition and profit incentive, they would invariably produce the goods at lower cost. The operations would return a profit in the companies thus broadening the tax base and lessening everybody's tax burden. And it would be another tendency dangerous to the American way of life. "As big government gets bigger," observes the House subcommittee, "there is a tendency for government agencies to take over more and more activities... one enterprise leans to still another."

Prosperity at Stake
No doubt the government got its money business activities out of what was considered at the time "absolute necessity." And perhaps there are some few activities, particularly among the armed services, which necessarily still dictate should be done by the services. However, since operating a business is alien to the fundamental concept of our government even these few should be rigidly examined and not permitted to give birth to others. Thomas Jefferson said: "Agriculture, manufacturing, commerce, and navigation, the four pillars of our prosperity: are then most thriving when left most free to individual enterprise."

In private enterprise there is the strong incentive of profit and the constant spur of competition. By outstripping every other producer in the country, a better product is made at lower cost. The prosperity and even the freedom of all Americans depend on our keeping the profit incentive and competition as our basic productive force.

MAGALLOWAY

Mrs. Beale Harvey, Corrae.
Fred Bennett is much improved in health.

Even Cameron and Donald Murray have new television sets.
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wiley of Waterville called on Mr. and Mrs. Melcolm Harvey, Sunday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Vaughn and family of Colebrook are staying with her father, Eben Cameron, at Big Buck Camp this week as there is a vacation.
The Reverend George Duke is still ill at the Cook County Hospital. A minister from Concord held the Easter service at Wilson's Mills, Sunday, April 18.

We had a foot of snow and a lot of rain and wind during the past week.
Born at the Cook County Hospital at Stewarstown, N. H., on March 23, a daughter, Angela Bethel, to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Littlejohn of Wilson's Mills. Mrs. Littlejohn is the former Mrs. Muriel Hawkins of Dummer, N. H.

Born at the Cook County Hospital April 7th to Mr. and Mrs. Terry Hughes, a daughter, Sherry Ann. Mrs. Hughes is the former Miss Rachel Turner of Wentworth Falls, N. H.

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LESLIE HART
Leslie Hart died at the Cook County Hospital Sunday, April 11, aged 75 years, after a short illness.

He lived most of his life in Wilson's Mills and was the eldest son of William and Nellie Fernock Hart and was born in Littleton, N. H.
Funeral services were held in the Wilson's Mills Church on Wednesday, April 14, at 2 p. m., and were conducted by Mr. Greiser, the Methodist minister of Colebrook, N. H.

He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Frank Allen of Errol, N. H., and one son, Percy Hart, of Errol, N. H. Survivors were William Adams, Carl Littlejohn, Norman Littlejohn and Lauren Bennett, all of Wilson's Mills.

"When you make out your tax returns, remember that much of the cost is the result of past waste and extravagance, and public debt for too many tax financed hand-outs." — Wakefield (Mass.) Item.

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WOODSTOCK HIGH

The Honor Roll for the third quarter has been announced as follows:

A's: Dan Cole.
A's and B's: Art Coffin, Denise Noyes, Charlotte Schultz, Adelaide Emery, Alicia Emery, Sandra Martin.

Perfect attendance for the third quarter as follows: Arthur Coffin, Leona Davis, Pearl Farrington, Eva Harlow, Kent Martin, Denise Noyes, Charlotte Schultz, Denise Emery, Marguerite Grafton, Colby Martin, Adelaide Emery, Alicia Emery, Luna Farrington.

On April 16th the school saw three movies on Forest Protection. They were very interesting.
Recently the Junior class presented an assembly in the form of a quiz program. The winners were: Daniel Cole, Doris Brooks, Annette Hillington, Ed Mason. The winners received a candy bar.

Wayne P. Lago, principal of Woodstock High School, is announcing the following for the honor roll: Valdelatorra, Daniel Elton Cole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wiley, Cole, Greenwood, Co-Salutatorian, Miss Mary Stuart Farnum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer S. Farnum, Bryant Pond, and Miss Joan Elizabeth Whitman, daughter of Mr.

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BRYANT POND

— Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Corres. —
The April meeting of the Star Birthday Club was held at the Town Hall, Locke Mills, Wednesday evening, with 24 members and three guests present. The hostesses were Mrs. Dora Ford, Mrs. Grace Day, Mrs. Beattie Billings, Mrs. Elsie Cole and Mrs. Edith Abbott. Jokes were read and a guessing contest won by Mrs. Sylvia Judkins and Mrs. Marjorie Jordan. Refreshments were served after the meeting. The committee for the May meeting which will be held at the Bryant Pond Town Hall, on May 20, are Mrs. Ida Farnum, Mrs. Bertha Davis, Mrs. Elsie Bennett and Miss Alice Farnum.

The stated meeting of Jefferson Chapter, OES, was held at the Masonic Hall Friday night. The worthy matron Elsie Bennett appointed the following committee for the year: Altruistic — Mrs. Barbara Hathaway, Mrs. Edith Abbott and Mrs. Cora Bennett; Character — Harold Tyler, Mrs. Frances Farnum and Mrs. Bertha Flanders; Visiting — Mrs. Elsie Bennett, Mrs. Donald Bennett, Mrs. Edith Hathaway, and Mrs. Eliden Hathaway; Resolutions — Mrs. Ida Farnum, Mrs. Edith Littlefield and Raynor Littlefield; Laws — Mrs. Ida Farnum, Mrs. Anne Bryant and Mrs. Addelyn Mann. Members of the Finance committee are Mrs. Ruth Tyler, Raynor Littlefield and Mrs. Sylvia Judkins. The organist, Juanita Allen, and Electa, Elizabeth Whitman, were installed by Past Matron Sylvia Judkins, assisted by PM Barbara Hathaway as Marshal, and PM Addelyn Mann as organist. A flower spelling contest was conducted and refreshments served. Mrs. Cora Bennett, Mrs. Bertha Davis and Mrs. Elsie Bennett, the refreshment committee for the next meeting will be Mrs. Ruby Ring, Mrs. Ida Farnum, Mrs. Frances Farnum and Mrs. Annie Bryant.

At the Maundy Thursday service of the Universalist Church, four people were admitted to membership and given the right hand of fellowship. This was followed by communion services. The new members are Merle Ring, Mrs. Ruby Ring, Mrs. Virginia Mills, and Miss Sylvia Ring.

Mrs. Otis Dudley spent a few days last week at New York, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hermon.

Woodstock schools closed Friday for a week's vacation. The high school senior class started Monday morning on a class trip to New York, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Roe Toothaker as chaperones.

Pvt. 2-E Lloyd Cushman who is stationed at Fort Dix, N. J., was at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cushman for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dyer have finished work for Jerry Farrar and returned to their home, Milton Plantation.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Newell, Barre, Vt. are the guests of their son, Floyd Newell, and family here, and their son, Rev. Gordon Newell, and family, South Paris.

Rev. and Mrs. Franklin Keelwetter and son, Stanley, South Gorham, and their daughter, Helen, and friend, Miss Connie McRide, from Wheaton College, were the recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKee and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Chase and daughter, Andrea, Waterville, spent Saturday night and Easter Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alden Chase. Sunday they all attended the First Congregational Church at Norway, with Dr. Allan S. Chase and family.

Those attending the meeting of the Association of Universalist Women at South Paris Tuesday night were Mrs. Florence Warner, Mrs. Eva Mills, Mrs. Constance Almer, Mrs. Elsie Cole and Mrs. Edith Abbott.

If Kirk Stowell came home by ambulance, Wednesday, from the Massachusetts General Hospital, where he has been a patient for several weeks. He was accompan-

NORTH WOODSTOCK

— Mrs. C. James Knights, Cor. —
Mr. and Mrs. Everett Cole and family are visiting several days with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stacey at Marblehead, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Whitney of Massachusetts have been staying with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cole. This week they have gone to the home of Earle Whitney, Gore Road.

Mrs. Lee Billings has finished work at John McKee's.

Mrs. Eva Poland recently spent several days with her son and wife, at Milton.

Mrs. Eva Poland visited one afternoon last week with Mrs. James Coffin, West Paris.

Mrs. C. James Knights visited one afternoon last week with her sister, Mrs. Frank Sweetser.

Sunday dinner guests at C. James Knights were Mrs. Mary Knights and Billy, Jackie Rich, also Frank Campbell, South Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Poland have a TV set.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bryant recently spent the evening with Edgar Davis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Dyer have moved back to their home after living at Jerry Farrar's for the winter.

Lloyd Davis is working in the woods for his father.

— Mrs. Roy Wardwell, Corres. —
Gene and Leon Kimball were guests of their grandfather, Leon L. Kimball Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil R. Kimball from Locke Mills were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wardwell.

Mrs. Lena Wentworth is home having been in the hospital for observation.

Mrs. Alice Gammon and daughter, Evelyn, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wardwell, on Monday.

Ivan Kimball was in Gilead Sunday to see his wife who is ill there.

Evelyn Gammon, Alice Gammon and Roy and Hazel Wardwell called on Mrs. Marjorie Burnham and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Holt in Hanover Monday afternoon.

led by Mrs. Stowell.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Hathaway over the Easter week end were their daughters, Miss Harriett Hathaway, New Haven, Conn., Miss Phyllis Hathaway, Marblehead, Mass., and a cousin, Miss Olive Elliott, Marblehead, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Perham celebrated their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary Tuesday. Open house was held in the afternoon and evening. Mrs. Perham, who is confined to a wheel chair, was assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Henry Stowell, West Paris, in receiving friends. They received many cards and gifts, including several bouquets of cut flowers. A beautifully decorated wedding cake was made by Mrs. May Emery, West Paris.

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EAST BETHEL

— Mrs. David S. Foster, Corres. —
Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Powers, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Edmunds and daughter, Sandra, and Robert Jordan of South Paris were week end guests of Mrs. Evelyn Harrington and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Harrington.

Mrs. Dorothy Foster was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smith at South Rumford.

Mrs. David Foster was a guest of Mrs. Roland Stearns at Rumford Corner Friday.

Alder River Grange No. 145 held a regular meeting on Friday with Past Master Bernice Noyes in the chair. It was voted to give three prizes of \$3, \$2, and \$1 for the essays on Soil Conservation and Highway Safety. Miss Susie Ingalls won the first prize with her essay. The next meeting will be May 7 with Ray Stetson as guest speaker. He will talk on "How We Can Make Maine a Better State in Which to Live."

Miss Shirley Bartlett returned Friday evening from her studies at the Massachusetts School of Nursing in Boston for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Bartlett met her and Mrs. Sadie Bartlett of Hopkinton, Mass., in Portland, Mrs. Sadie Bartlett visited Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bartlett in Bethel. On Monday Mrs. Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bartlett were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Bartlett. Miss Bartlett and Mrs. Sadie Bartlett returned to Massachusetts on the train.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Graves of West Bethel were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Urban Bartlett Sunday, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bourne and sons of Ogunquit were their guests on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Coffin and Jeanne of South Paris were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Newton. Mr. Newton celebrated his birthday on Easter Sunday this year. Merle Newton and Jerry Piper returned Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Coffin for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Curtis of Poland were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haines.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smith and sons, Bonnie and Harold, of South Rumford, were guests of Mrs. Nanette Foster, Sunday.

Mrs. Grace Smith was the week end guest of Mrs. Priscilla James in Newry.

Warren Hastings was home over the week end from his studies at the University of Maine.

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— Mary C. Stanley, Corres. —
Ernest Blake and a party of friends are on a fishing trip in Canada.

Word has been received that Brand McAllister, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Kennagh, has arrived at Toul Rostere Air Base in France.

Leah Davis, Richard and Peter Davis, Guy Swan and Clarence Remington were in Greenville Tuesday to bring Mr. Davis' sea plane home.

Mrs. Tommy Kennagh and children, Janis and Danny Roy, spent Tuesday in Norway visiting her mother, Mrs. Alice Millett.

Mrs. Gussie Kennagh of Hebron was guest of honor at a surprise stork shower at the home of Mrs. John Kennagh Saturday evening.

after visiting in Massachusetts for two weeks.

Mrs. Homer Smith Jr. of North-west Bethel, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Tyler of Rumford Center, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Tyler and family of Dixfield were week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hutchinson, Mrs. Claire Holman, Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett Swan of Dixfield were guests of Mrs. Ida Blake on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Howard and family of North Rumford, Mrs. Madeleine Austin of Riddellville, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Chase and family of Rumford were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Al Curtis Sunday and took Richard to West Paris to see his other brother and to celebrate his seventh birthday.

Mrs. Sonia Swinton visited her father, Dan Swinton, in Skowhegan this week.

Mrs. Ruth Hastings visited Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Honkala in Salisbury, N. H., this week.

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She received many nice gifts. Refreshments including a decorated shower cake were served. Those attending were: Mrs. Frances Kennagh, Mrs. Madeline McAllister, Misses Patricia and Jeanette McAllister, Mrs. Brian McAllister, all of South Paris; Mrs. Priscilla Taylor, of Lovell; Mrs. Katie Kennagh, and the hostess, Mrs. Eva Kennagh. Unable to attend but sending a gift was Mrs. Rosie Boyce of West Farmington.

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STATE OF MAINE

TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE SUPERIOR COURT to be held at Paris, within and for said County of Oxford, on the 2nd Tuesday of June, A. D. 1954.

Respectfully Represents, Helen M. Harding resident at Bethel in the County of Oxford and State of Maine that she was lawfully married to Durward Harding of parts unknown at Gorham in the County of Coos and State of New Hampshire on the twenty-ninth day of August, A. D. 1933, by ... duly authorized to solemnize marriages therein.

That the Libellant and Libellee cohabited in this State after their said marriage;

That the Libellant resided in this state when the cause of divorce accrued as hereinafter set forth; That the Libellant has resided in this State in good faith for one year prior to the commencement of these proceedings;

That the Libellee was a resident of this State; but now of parts unknown;

That the Libellant has ever been faithful to her marriage obligations, but that the said Libellee has been unfaithful of the same;

That there is no collusion between your Libellant and the said Libellee to obtain a divorce;

That on the fifteenth day of October, A. D. 1953, said Libellee utterly deserted your Libellant without reasonable cause and has continued said desertion ever since;

That being of sufficient ability and being able to labor and provide for her, said Libellee grossly, wantonly and cruelly refuses or neglects to provide suitable maintenance for your Libellant;

That since marriage the said Libellee has been addicted to gross and confirmed habits of intoxication from the use of intoxicating liquors, opium or other drugs;

That said Libellee is, and ever since the aforesaid marriage has been impotent, and that said impotency is incurable;

That said Libellee has been guilty of extreme cruelty toward your said Libellant;

That the said Libellee has been guilty of cruel and abusive treatment toward your said Libellant;

That no children have been born to them during their said marriage.

Wherefore, your Libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony between herself and the said Libellee may be decreed; Also that reasonable alimony may be decreed to your Libellant out of the estate of the said Libellee, or, in lieu thereof, that a special sum may be paid to her by him;

And your Libellant further alleges that the residence of said Libellee is unknown to your Libellant and cannot be ascertained by reasonable diligence.

Dated at Bethel, Maine this twenty-ninth day of March, A. D. 1954.

Helen M. Harding Libellant
STATE OF MAINE

Oxford, ss.
Oxford, March 29th, A. D. 1954
Personally appeared Helen M. Harding above named Libellant; and made oath that the foregoing allegation as to the residence of the Libellee is true.

Before me,
Gerry Brooks
Justice of the Peace

(Seal)
STATE OF MAINE
County of Oxford, ss.

Superior Court, in Vacation)
April 6, A. D. 1954)

Upon the foregoing Libel, Ordered, That the Libellant give notice to the said Durward Harding to appear before the Justice of our Superior Court, to be held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the second Tuesday of June, A. D. 1954, by publishing an attested copy of said libel, and this order thereon, three weeks successively in the Bethel Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper printed in Bethel, in our County of Oxford, the last publication to be thirty days at least prior to said second Tuesday of June, 1954, that he may there and then in our said Court appear and show cause, if any he have, why the prayer of said Libellant should not be granted.

Leona F. Williams
Justice of the Superior Court.

A true copy of the libel and order of court thereon.

Attest: Rupert F. Aldrich, Clerk.

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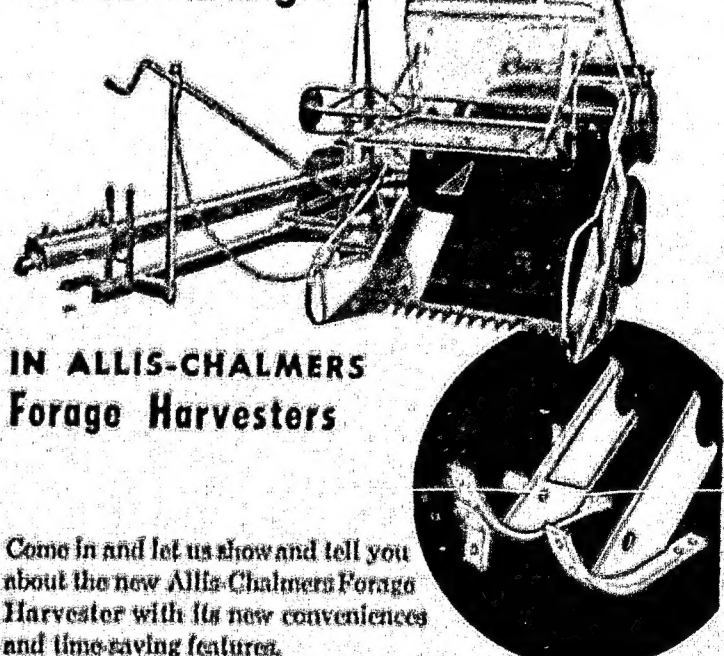
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Many gifts were received by the couple including flowers and a purse of money. Refreshments including a wedding cake were served.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Mary Abbott, Mrs. Dorothy Graves, Mrs. Josephine Kendall, Mrs. Ruby Rolfe, and Mrs. Faye Taylor.

At the evening reception flowers and a purse of money were presented to the couple by Claudette Coultombe as flower girl and Bobby Grondin as bridesmaid.

Mr. and Mrs. Coultombe were married April 22, 1923, at Angel Guardian Church, Berlin, N. H.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Emilie Tobeschard, Dr. Paul Dumas, Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Fontaine, Mrs. Manda Poullot, Mrs. Evelyn Martel, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Coultombe, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grondin, Miss Lucille Grondin, Bobby Grondin, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bernier, Mr. and Mrs. Olive Coultombe, Mr. and Mrs. Nazaire Blais, Lewiston.

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LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Mary Mills, Corres.
MRS. ETHEL E. CROSS
Mrs. Ethel E. Cross passed away Sunday at the Rumford Community Hospital where she had been for several weeks. She was born June 7, 1870, at Waterboro, Maine, the only child of Charles and Edith (Swan) Farr. She received her education in Portland, and was married to William Cross who passed away in 1933. She had lived on Howe Hill for fifty-two years. She is survived by four children, Lillian, wife of Carlton Lapham, Everett, wife of Guy Rice of Bethel, fifteen grandchildren, Mrs. Leroy Smith of Bryant Pond, Mrs. Kenneth Swan of South Paris, Albert Rodney, Navy, Annie, Richard, Roger, Lillian May, and Evelyn Ethel Cross of Locke Mills, Kent Stanley, Edward, Charles, Birmingham and Clayton Rice of Bethel, one great-grandson, Christopher Smith of Bryant Pond, two aunts, Mrs. Florence Wentworth of Portland, Mrs. Nellie Martin of Greenwood, two uncles, Daniel and Stanton Cole of Greenwood and many cousins. Funeral services were held from the Locke Mills Union Church on Wednesday at two o'clock with Rev. Charles Pendleton officiating. Interment was at Riverside Cemetery at Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Davis have received word that their son and wife, MML and Mrs. John R. Davis are the parents of a son, Paul Ronello born April 8 in the Naval Hospital in Yokosuka, Japan. They expect to be back in the states in October after two years of duty by MML Davis in Japan and the Yellow Sea.

Mrs. Cassandra Biden of Carthage returned home on Sunday after visiting last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swift.

Mrs. Archie Lovejoy has received word that her little granddaughter, Karen Lee, four weeks old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hebert of Long Pond, formerly of Locke Mills is slightly injured at the Sisters' Hospital at Jackson where she is ill with meningitis.

Mrs. Susan Hicks of Washington, D. C. has been a guest of her brother, John Hicks, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swift attended open house for Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Coultombe of West Bethel on their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Littlefield gave a dinner party Tuesday evening in honor of Mrs. Littlefield's mother, Mrs. Lillian Fluke, on her seventy-ninth birthday. Mrs. Fluke was presented with a beautiful birthday cake. Present were: Mrs. Eva Keniston, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Morey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keniston and family, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Littlefield and Clinton Littlefield.

Every individual has a place to fill in the world, and is important in some respect, whether he chooses to be so or not.—Hawthorne

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Walker, and Diana, spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wild, Ellsworth, N. H.

Mrs. Arthur Gilbert was in Berlin, N. H. Saturday.

Mrs. Roger Thibault has returned from spending several days at Brunswick.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Walker and Diana were in Norway Saturday.

Miss Patricia Rolfe, Lynn, Mass., spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rolfe.

Marvin Randall, Boston, was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Randall.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Walker were in East Greenwich Monday where they called on Mrs. Grace Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swift, Locke Mills, were guests during the week end of Mr. and Mrs. George Howland Jr. and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Perry and son of Auburn were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Perry.

Mrs. Wilma Crook and Charles Bailey, both of Hallowell, were callers at Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hancock's.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hancock attended Lakeside Grange at Hallowell Saturday night.

SUNDAY RIVER
Mrs. R. M. Flet, Corres.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Foster of Garden City, N. Y., were at their place in town over the week end and called on neighbors and relatives while here.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Young and son, Victor, of Hartford, Conn., were week end visitors of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Flet.

Clara Thibault had the pleasure to have her cousin, Carl, who was out after winter the other night and completely destroyed before help could arrive. He lost everything and was taken to Portland State by Dr. M. Flet on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hancock and family spent the week end in Bethel.

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WEST PARIS

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First Universalist Church, Rev. Earle W. Dolphin, minister. The Easter week has been very busy and uplifting and organizations were meeting. Rev. Mr. Dolphin gave a fine service on Holy Day, Thursday, Sunday morning Rev. W. Dolphin spoke at the early Sunday morning service at 8 o'clock. At 7 o'clock breakfast was served to 70; at 10:30 regular morning worship service, 120 present, followed by the Church School which was attended by a gathering which entirely filled the church. Excellent music added much to the service. This week we also have very many fine things to make up all much better. On May 6 the regular spring sale will be held at the church. All try and get the benefit of the good things coming.

Mrs. Blanche E. Dolphin arrived home to stay a month from Worcester, Mass., before her wedding. She has been in Worcester for several months.

Mrs. D. R. Morrill, Auburn, was the recent guest of Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes and Mrs. H. R. Tuell.

Mrs. Bert Lang is improving from surgery at the CMG Hospital, in Lewiston and is home for recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Todd and family were at her home in Mexico over Easter.

Mrs. Irvin L. Bowker of Portland has been a recent guest at the Mann and Tuell home.

Derwood Buck of Boston spent the Easter season at his home here. Miss Rosalie Buck will come over next week.

GREENWOOD CITY
Mrs. Colista Morgan, Corres.

School is closed for a week of vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Montie Milllet of Tusas District spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonas Holt and family were recent callers at Howard Gardner's, South Paris.

Mrs. Roy Morgan was at Tugus recently to see her husband who underwent surgery last Thursday.

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Mrs. Ralph Kimball, Corres.

Mrs. Jennie Mayberry attended a birthday party for her son on Friday evening at Pigeon Hill.

Mrs. Maud Kimball returned home Saturday after visiting relatives in Sebago, North Fryeburg, and Lynchville.

Mr. and Mrs. George Logan and family were in Rumford Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kimball and family were in Norway Saturday afternoon.

Little Angelina Lapham is confined with the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Keniston and Lona spent Sunday with the Williams Kimballs in South Waterford.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Cross and Duane, Ronald and Roberta Snyder, spent Sunday visiting Mrs. Cross' aunt, Miss Mertie Libby, in North Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Edroy Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. William Keniston and three boys of Mechanic Falls spent Sunday with the Ralph Kimballs, and also Mrs. Irene Hutchinson, Louie Rappas of Lewiston, was also a caller there. Mrs. Martin and boys remained for a few days visit.

Mrs. Mildred Bennett and Meredith were calling on her mother, Sunday.

Edward and Warren Lapham were in Augusta Tuesday on business.

ALBANY

HUNT'S CORNER AND VICINITY
Mrs. Harlan Bumpus, Corres.

The Easter church service was held Sunday evening with an attendance of nearly sixty.

The all-the-parish Maundy Thursday Communion Service held at Hunt's Corner was well attended. The supper which preceded was served by the Mountaineers.

Around 85 friends and relatives attended the surprise party held at the Grange Hall Friday evening, April 16, in honor of Leon Kimball's eightieth birthday. He received many nice gifts including a sum of money. Refreshments of ice cream, cake, cookies, and coffee were served.

The first Circle Supper will be held at the vestry Thursday evening, April 29.

L. J. Andrews was in Norway on Wednesday calling on his brother, Gene Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Inman and children were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stearns and daughter, Janice.

Mrs. Melba Hall and daughter, Mary, were in Augusta one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Bumpus and daughter, Beth, called at Harlan Bumpus' Sunday afternoon.

Sherman Allen and Larry Denison were recent callers at John Spinney's.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merrill were Wednesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Inman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Keniston and

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OF NORTH AMERICA**
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
 on the 31st day of December 1953
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ASSETS	
Bonds	\$32,634,571.95
Stocks	70,910,573.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	10,147,775.83
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	11,542,875.14
Other Assets	2,893,838.06
Total Assets	\$178,138,783.98
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$64,058,212.00
Loss Adjustment Expenses	8,458,553.00
Unearned Premiums	40,032,482.00
Taxes	4,240,639.87
All Other Liabilities	3,538,800.34
Total Liabilities	\$116,335,154.31
Special Surplus Funds	\$26,803,579.67
Capital Paid Up or Statutory Deposit	5,000,000.00
Unassigned Fund (Surplus)	20,000,000.00
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$51,803,579.67
Total	\$178,138,783.98

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 6 Harvard Street
 Worcester, Massachusetts
 on the 31st day of December 1953
 made to the Insurance Department
 of the State of Massachusetts

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$697,451.24
Stocks	37,593.00
Real Estate Owned	47,397.44
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	5,000.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	74,117.81
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	57,840.08
Other Assets	8,361.62
Total Assets	\$928,261.19
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$17,838.50
Loss Adjustment Expenses	1,589.94
Unearned Premiums	476,633.10
Taxes	14,165.22
All Other Liabilities	6,481.26
Total Liabilities	\$514,707.02
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$413,554.17
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$413,554.17
Total	\$928,261.19

**THE LONDON ASSURANCE
(U. S. Branch)**
 59 John Street
 New York, New York
 on the 31st day of December 1953
 made to the Insurance Department
 of the State of Maine

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$11,368,847.57
Stocks	7,538,840.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	1,744,856.11
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	1,161,716.07
Other Assets	532,634.37
Total Assets	\$22,341,894.42
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$2,788,175.62
Loss Adjustment Expenses	186,933.43
Unearned Premiums	8,570,628.17
Taxes	385,874.00
All Other Liabilities	951,644.24
Total Liabilities	\$12,883,255.46
Capital Paid Up or Statutory Deposit	\$500,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	8,938,638.96
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$9,438,638.96
Total	\$22,341,894.42

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 Fitchburg, Massachusetts
 on the 31st day of December 1953
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 of the State of Maine

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$676,150.00
Stocks	125,813.00
Real Estate Owned	70,000.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	617,514.77
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	97,631.78
Other Assets	7,828.63
Total Assets	\$1,594,968.24
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$36,706.23
Loss Adjustment Expenses	5,200.00
Unearned Premiums	872,793.00
Taxes	26,976.28
All Other Liabilities	11,398.84
Total Liabilities	\$932,974.37
Special Surplus Funds	\$6,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$535,993.87
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$541,993.87
Total	\$1,594,968.24

**VERMONT MUTUAL FIRE
INSURANCE COMPANY**
 Montpelier, Vermont
 on the 31st day of December 1953
 made to the Insurance Department
 of the State of Maine

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$1,058,375.53
Stocks	150,171.00
Real Estate Owned	138,088.91
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	308,133.93
Cash and Bank Deposits	646,633.67
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	233,745.41
Other Assets	17,287.47
Total Assets	\$3,177,735.52
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$130,971.00
Loss Adjustment Expenses	9,797.97
Unearned Premiums	1,828,721.64
Taxes	80,600.11
All Other Liabilities	14,821.16
Total Liabilities	\$2,075,911.88
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$1,103,824.01
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$1,103,824.01
Total	\$3,177,735.52

**MIDDLESEX MUTUAL FIRE
INSURANCE COMPANY**
 Concord, Massachusetts
 on the 31st day of December 1953
 made to the Commissioners of the
 State of Maine

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$5,568,100.00
Stocks	1,710,000.00
Real Estate Owned	303,639.06
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	107,558.32
Cash and Bank Deposits	519,931.34
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	459,813.70
Other Assets	97,482.07
Total Assets	\$9,166,679.11
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$345,601.00
Loss Adjustment Expenses	23,083.01
Unearned Premiums	\$3,011,783.30
Taxes	145,231.43
All Other Liabilities	61,399.72
Total Liabilities	\$4,589,401.56
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$4,777,274.73
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$4,777,274.73
Total	\$9,166,679.11

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 on the 31st day of December 1953
 made to the Commissioner of Insurance
 of the State of Maine

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$8,128,564.28
Stocks	1,128,172.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	\$36,252.87
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	628,022.51
Other Assets	\$65,045.47
Total Assets	\$11,025,994.23
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$1,667,378.20
Loss Adjustment Expenses	100,163.50
Unearned Premiums	\$5,188,114.63
Taxes	153,819.81
All Other Liabilities	\$60,252.33
Total Liabilities	\$7,149,828.28
Statutory Deposit	\$609,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$3,611,009.55
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$3,541,009.55
Total	\$11,025,994.23

FIRE ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
 on the 31st day of December 1953
 made to the Insurance Commission
 of the State of Pennsylvania

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$25,410,375.14
Stocks	\$1,237,224.18
Real Estate Owned	\$442,517.09
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	\$5,710.16
Cash and Bank Deposits	\$1,387,230.82
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	\$3,070,007.97
Other Assets	\$1,619,694.49
Total Assets	\$36,791,434.25
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$8,600,109.00
Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$43,727.00
Unearned Premiums	\$25,679,561.83
Taxes	\$1,216,500.00
All Other Liabilities	\$1,706,870.77
Total Liabilities	\$36,285,458.60
Special Surplus Funds	\$119,067.71
Capital Paid Up or Statutory Deposit	\$400,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$23,176,837.94
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$23,695,905.65
Total	\$66,791,434.25

**QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY
OF AMERICA**
 New York, New York
 on the 31st day of December 1953

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$33,931,181.23
Stocks	11,809,785.06
Cash and Bank Deposits	1,930,610.18
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	\$2,614,823.25
Other Assets	\$53,991.10
Total Assets	\$60,307,401.81
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$13,296,250.00
Loss Adjustment Expenses	1,726,063.00
Unearned Premiums	\$25,007,713.11
Taxes	\$2,811,106.63
All Other Liabilities	\$60,802.08
Total Liabilities	\$44,315,216.10
Special Surplus Funds	\$696,001.23
Capital Paid Up	\$5,000,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$18,965,996.12
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$24,662,002.85
Total	\$60,307,401.81

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Years Ago

10 YEARS AGO

John Zale, Rumford cattle dealer, was instantly killed when the truck in which he was riding overturned on the Rumford Center road.

War prisoners from the Percy camp were cutting wood for the Brown Company.

Deaths: Miss Myrtle Alice Bacon, Carl P. Dunham.

20 YEARS AGO

A large delegation of local people enjoyed a banquet and dance at Maple Inn (Hotel Sudbury).

Bryant Pond ball field was graded and re-surfaced. The work was done under the ERA.

Deaths: Mrs. Dennis Kilgore, Mrs. Sarah Starbird.

30 YEARS AGO

The Chapman cottage was moved from the site of the proposed girls dormitory (Gould Academy) to a foundation on the gymnasium lot across Church Street.

Traveling was extremely bad owing to two heavy snowstorms.

The Dixfield American Legion and Dixfield band presented Sing-dad the Baller in Odeon Hall.

40 YEARS AGO

G. L. Thurston purchased Hastings Bros. hardware store.

Howard Thurston purchased the Charles Althaus house on Railroad Street.

Deaths: Mrs. Ethel Cummings, Mrs. L. T. Barker, Edwin B. Stearns.

GOULD ACADEMY

Nancy Harrison, a member of the Junior class, who won first place in the humorous division in the Oxford County Prize Speaking Contest held in Mexico a few weeks ago gave her prize winning selection, "Traveling on the Bangor and Aroostook" yesterday morning in assembly. This was very much enjoyed by all students and faculty members.

The Academy had the privilege of witnessing demonstrations put on by a motor unit of the General Motors Corporation in William Bingham Gymnasium on Monday. Mr. Redmond conducted experiments showing some of the developments of scientific research over the past fifty years. Of a special interest to the audience were the demonstrations of micro wave, combustion engines and jet propulsion all developments which play an important role in the everyday life of all persons today. Gould was especially fortunate to have this program since there are only seven units of the motorcade traveling over the entire United States.

The Academy Chapter of the Future Homemakers Association is cooperating in the State-wide clean-up project by participating in clean-up activities on the school grounds and the community. This activity was started this week.

The William Rogers Chapman Club will hold a Motocade in William Bingham Gym on Monday April 23 at 5:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

GOULD TO OPEN AT NORWAY TUESDAY
Gould Academy's 1954 diamond year is to be given a stiff test when they open the season at Norway for grounds on Tuesday. On Friday the Huskies will play host to St. Patrick's High of Berlin in a non-league game.

Coach Brewster has a squad of 14 men with a veteran at every position. Pete Bl. Lawrence will probably start behind the bat with Ed Burham in reserve. Vern Carlson is the third string catcher. Number one pitcher Herb Adams will get the nod on Tuesday with Howe Rolfe starting against St. Pat's on Friday. Curney Mead is the reliever.

At first base Paul Fossell and Merle White are cutting up a battle for the job. White, a veteran of the Bethel Legion team, may start on Tuesday. Ed Melville and Capt. Dick Hodge will start at 2nd and 3rd with Phil Howe at short stop. John Chase, another Legion player shows great prospects at third base and Bill Daley will be the other utility infielder.

Veterans Phil Carey and Gene White will room the left and center fields. Right field will be taken care of by Ed Burham extra catcher or Howe Rolfe, when not on the mound.

The remainder of the schedule is as follows:
May 4 at Mexico at Bethel
May 7 at South Paris
May 10 at St. Patrick's of Berlin
May 13 at Norway at Bethel
May 16 at South Paris at Bethel
May 19 at Norway at Bethel
May 22 at Mexico
June 5 at Presque Isle
June 12 at Bethel

Yesterday morning his bike was a wreck.

And he sped to the store for great was the need.

To wear the poor fellow he rode like the wind.

With hundreds of "redskins" cut-dressed behind.

His bike was named "Pinto" the day before that.

As he put on his cape and his wide western hat.

The crowd arrived with his ruse and his gun.

The "boss thieves" were trailed and dispatched, one by one.

He's getting a space ship today from his bike.

With his helmet and ray gun—this cute little bike.

Watch out for him, driver, although he's been told.

He forgets to be careful he's just nine years old!

Keep Madam Green by taking prevent forest fires.



FERGUSON FILES PAPERS FOR RE-ELECTION AS REPRESENTATIVE

Norman K. Ferguson of Hanover has filed his nomination papers for re-election to the House of Representatives representing the 76th Legislative District, which includes Bethel, Greenwood, Gilead, Hanover, Upton, Stoneham, Stow and the plantations of Lincoln and Magalloway.

Mr. Ferguson is a native of Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, and is a former resident of Bethel. He has been a resident of Hanover since 1946. He married the former Hazel Merrill of Andover. They have four children, Norman Jr., serving with the army in Austria, Elizabeth is employed at The New England Deaconess Hospital in Boston and Nancy and Margaret both attend local schools.

Mr. Ferguson does some farming and is employed by the Oxford Paper Company. He is serving his fourth year as selectman of Hanover. Three years as chairman of the Hanover Republican Town Committee. Mr. Ferguson is also a member of the Oxford Bear Lodge, Bear River Grange, and Rumford Lions Club. He is especially interested in the problems concerning schools and roads. Also he believes there is need for more forest fire protection.

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—Christian Nestell Boyce



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SOME 19,121 FARMERS AND HOMEMAHERS JOIN EXTENSION ASSOCIATION

Some 19,121 Maine farmers and homemakers have joined the 14 county Extension Associations. The 773 women enrolled in Somerset County have set a new all-time record. Six counties have equaled or topped their memberships of a year ago at this time and also their 1953 memberships. They are Androscoggin-Sagadahoc, Cumberland, Kennebec, Penobscot, Somerset, and Waldo Counties. Counties with the best percentage of members renewing for 1954 are Somerset, Oxford, Cumberland, Kennebec, Kennebec, and Franklin. Anyone may still join his county Extension Association and receive the monthly magazine.

BORN

In Stewartstown, N. H., March 23, to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Little of Wilson's Mills, a daughter, Angela Beth.

In Lewiston, April 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Ivory Currier of Bethel, a son, Edward Arthur.

In Stewartstown, N. H., April 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Terry Hughes of Wilson's Mills, a daughter, Sherry Ann.

In Stewartstown, N. H., April 12, to Mr. and Mrs. Emory Cameron of Wilson's Mills, a son, Kerry Don.

In Rumford, April 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Chase of Bethel, a daughter.

In Rumford, April 17, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tift of Bethel, a daughter, Cynthia Rose.

DIED

In Rumford, April 18, Mrs. Ethel B. Cross, aged 74 years.

In Stewartstown, N. H., April 11, Leslie Hart, aged 75 years.

In Rumford, April 18, Mrs. Ella Farwell Russell, aged 63 years.

In Rumford, April 21, Mrs. Lulu Merrill of Hanover, aged 57 years.

In Richmond, April 21, George L. Glover, formerly of Andover, aged 73 years.

In Turner, April 20, Mrs. George H. French, aged 72 years.

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WIGHT OF NEWRY CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATION AS REPRESENTATIVE

Friends of Lon E. Wight of Newry are interested to learn of the announcement that he has filed papers for the Republican nomination as representative to the legislature from this district.

Mr. Wight has had wide experience in town and state affairs. He has twice served the district as representative, in the legislatures of 1921 and 1923. He has served as selectman of his home town for many years and for more than 35 years, with the exception of a year or two, has been chairman of the board. He has been chairman of the Newry Republican committee for some 40 years and has been a member of the county committee.

He has many supporters in this legislative district who feel that his long experience and acknowledged ability will make him a strong candidate for the office he seeks.

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V. A. NEWS LETTER

Veterans who have been rated totally disabled for compensation, pension or insurance purposes for at least 20 years are not subject to reduced ratings under provisions of a new law. Eben G. Bagley, Officer-in-Charge, VA Office, 171 Middle St., Portland, Maine, announced.

Excepted from provisions of the law are any cases where fraud is involved.

Public Law 311, approved by the President on March 17, 1954, obviates future physical examinations of those veterans with a rating of total disability or permanent total disability for more than 20 years. Previously, veterans who had total disability ratings based on disabilities other than blindness or anatomical losses could be reexamined with a possibility that their ratings might be reduced.

This new law assures the few veterans affected, who have been rated totally disabled for 20 years or more, that they will not be deprived of benefits in their old age after they have been accustomed to rely on these benefits for the

support of themselves and their dependents.

However, the new law prevents the reduction of ratings for physical reasons only. Veterans receiving pensions for permanent and total nonservice-connected disabilities are still subject to income limitations of \$1400, without dependents, and \$2700 with dependents, even though their ratings have been in effect for 20 years or more.

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IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Walter Tikander was a bus driver in Boston, Wednesday. Miss Mary Ford was the guest of Harold Conner and family week.

Francis Noyes is at the Rumford Community Hospital for observation.

The meeting of the W. S. C. on May 8 will be held with Carrie Merrill.

Mrs. H. I. Bean is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. A. Jones, in Lewiston.

Mrs. Winifred Mackinnon, Mendon, Conn., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Francis Noyes.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Tibbets, Berlin, N. H., spent the week with relatives in town.

Mrs. Norman A. Nixon of Ford, Mass., is a guest of her mother at the Hotel Sudbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Marsters York, Plainfield, Vt., spent the week at the home of Wesley White.

Miss Esther Tyler is spending vacation from her duties as teacher in Deering High School, Portland.

John Harrington and William Chapman are attending the Maine Shorthorn Breeders' sale at Presque Isle.

Among those ill with measles are Mary Lowell, Bobby Sand, Victoria Robertson, and Larry Lines.

Dr. and Mrs. S. S. Greenleaf turned home last week after spending several weeks at Daytona Beach, Fla.

The past winter in Andover, is visiting her son, Robert York, and family this week.

Debbie and Jeff Howe visit their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Stafford, in Amesbury, Mass., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Angevine went to Boston, Mass., with Mr. and Mrs. Avery Angevine last week to visit relatives.

John H. Carter has bought a former Hamelton place on Churchman Street, recently occupied by Carl Larson and family.

Mrs. Flora Anderson and Mrs. Evans Wilson are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Richard Woodcock in Providence, R. I., this week.

Recent callers of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnson were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barry and Mrs. Evelyn Johnson of New Gloucester.

Mrs. Flora Anderson and Mrs. Evans Wilson have returned after spending the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Wendall Gibbs, Peabody, Mass.

The Ladies Club will meet at the home of Miss Geneva Mitchell on May 6th. Co-hostesses are Mrs. G. L. Thurston and Mrs. Edith Howe.

Robert Farwell has received a honorable discharge from the Army and is visiting his mother, Mrs. Ruth Stearns. He has served the past three years in Germany.

The Five Town Teachers Club will meet at East Bethel School next Monday evening. Mr. Clark will speak on teachers' insurance. All teachers are urged to come.

Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert York were Mr. and Mrs. George Clark, Sharon, and Brenda of Winter Harbor, also Miss Esther Jones of Lewiston and Sgt. Clark from New York.

A card party for the benefit of the Cancer Drive was held Saturday evening when Mr. and Mrs. Addison Saunders entertained the members of the Couples Contract Club at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Howe arrived home Wednesday from Pennsylvania, Fla., where he has been stationed. They are at present at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Howe.

The Eleanor Gordon Guild met Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Robert Keniston with co-hostesses, Mrs. Donald Cross, Elan Albert Buck had devotion. Plans were completed for Mother and Daughter Banquet to be held May 22 at the Church. Mrs. Floyd Bartlett is on the ticket committee. Three large serving trays have been purchased for the church. A series of pre-school child health conferences is to be started next week. May 6, sponsored by the West Parish Guild and Eleanor Gordon Guild. Workers for this conference are Mrs. Malcolm Mundt, Mrs. Stanley Davis, and Mrs. Earlon Paine. Mr. Paine will be the representative to attend the Annual Health Council Meeting at East Summer 12.

The house built 35 years ago by William Baker, one of the first ferrymen at Rumford Point was sold recently. It will be removed or torn down to make room for